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Roy Romer
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

THE COLORADO OFFICE OF ENERGY CONSERVATION

WHEREAS, the supply, demand and cost of energy are issues of vital concern to the state and nation;

WHEREAS, increased energy efficiency and enhanced energy conservation measures address these concerns and provide an opportunity to contribute to the economic health of all sectors of the state;

WHEREAS, as a major thrust in achieving energy efficiency, the State of Colorado must take a lead role in implementing recycling programs for state government and in promoting recycling programs by citizens and businesses throughout the State of Colorado;

WHEREAS, the state receives federal funds and oil overcharge settlements specifically designated to support energy efficiency programs;

WHEREAS, those funds are custodial funds not subject to legislative appropriation as determined by the Colorado Supreme Court in Colorado General Assembly v. Lamm, 700 P.2d 508, 525 (Colo. 1985);

WHEREAS, the Colorado Office of Energy Conservation has the expertise to succeed in making Colorado a leader in energy efficiency, energy conservation, recycling, and related issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

1. The Colorado Office of Energy Conservation is continued within the Office of the Governor.
2. The Colorado Office of Energy Conservation shall:
 - a. Promote the efficient use and conservation of energy in Colorado through a comprehensive program of education, financing, and technical assistance;

- b. Serve as the state agent for the federal government to fulfill the mandated State Energy Conservation Plan, Energy Extension Service, Institutional Conservation Program, and other efficiency and conservation programs supported and required by federal authorities;
 - c. Serve as the agent for administering restitutionary programs required by settlements from petroleum violation escrow accounts;
 - d. Serve as the coordinating agent for energy efficiency in government;
 - e. Serve as a clearinghouse and referral center for energy information;
 - f. Coordinate the state's energy emergency planning activities;
 - g. Provide advice and counsel to the Governor and the Colorado General Assembly regarding appropriate state policy to encourage energy efficiency; and
 - h. Serve as the lead agency for the promotion and development of recycling programs in state government in coordination with relevant activities of other state agencies.
3. There shall be a Director of the Office of Energy Conservation to be appointed by the Governor. The Director of the Office of Energy Conservation is authorized to hire such staff and make other expenditures as may be allowed by funds available to the office, including federal appropriations, petroleum violation escrow accounts, grants, and private donations that may be received, all in accord with applicable law. The Office of Energy Conservation shall be an agency under the auspices of the Governor's Office, with the Director and appropriate staff performing all accounting and financial transactions pursuant to the Colorado State Fiscal Rules.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this 29th day of August, 1990.



Roy Romer
Governor



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